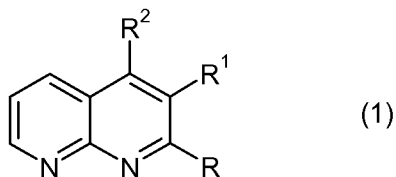


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) The compound of the general formula (1):



wherein

R is halo;

R¹ is aryl or heteroaryl;

R² is NR³R⁴,

wherein R³ and R⁴ are independently H, C₁₋₈ alkyl, C₂₋₈ alkenyl, C₂₋₈ alkynyl,

or wherein R³ and R⁴ together form a C₃₋₇ alkylene or C₃₋₇ alkenylene chain optionally substituted with one or more C₁₋₄ alkyl or C₁₋₄ alkoxy groups;

or wherein R³ and R⁴ together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a morpholine, thiomorpholine, thiomorpholine S-oxide or thiomorpholine S-dioxide ring or a piperazine or piperazine *N*-(C₁₋₄)alkyl (especially *N*-methyl) ring;

and wherein

said alkyl, alkenyl, or alkynyl groups ~~or moieties~~ are optionally substituted with halogen, cyano, C₁₋₆alkoxy, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkoxycarbonyl, C₁₋₆haloalkoxy, C₁₋₆alkylthio, tri(C₁₋₄)alkylsilyl, C₁₋₆alkylamino or C₁₋₆dialkylamino;

said morpholine, thiomorpholine, and piperazine rings are optionally substituted with C₁₋₄ alkyl (especially methyl); and

said aryl or heteroaryl groups or moieties are optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from the group consisting halo, hydroxy, mercapto, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₂₋₆alkenyl, C₂₋₆alkynyl, C₁₋₆alkoxy, C₂₋₆alkenyloxy, C₂₋₆alkynyloxy, halo(C₁₋₆)alkyl, halo(C₁₋₆)alkoxy, C₁₋₆alkylthio, halo(C₁₋₆)alkylthio, hydroxy(C₁₋₆)alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy(C₁₋₆)alkyl, C₃₋₆cycloalkyl, C₃₋₆cycloalkyl(C₁₋₄)alkyl, phenoxy, benzyloxy, benzoyloxy, cyano, isocyano, thiocyanato, isothiocyanato, nitro, -NR^{'''}R^{'''}, -NHCOR^{'''}, -NHCONR^{'''}R^{'''}, -CONR^{'''}R^{'''}, -SO₂R^{'''}, -OSO₂R^{'''}, -COR^{'''}, -CR^{'''}=NR^{'''} and -N=CR^{'''}R^{'''}, in which R^{'''} and R^{'''} are independently hydrogen, C₁₋₄ alkyl, halo(C₁₋₄)alkyl, C₁₋₄ alkoxy, halo(C₁₋₄)alkoxy, C₁₋₄ alkylthio, C₃₋₆ cycloalkyl, C₃₋₆ cycloalkyl(C₁₋₄) alkyl, phenyl or benzyl, the phenyl and benzyl groups being optionally substituted with halogen, C₁₋₄ alkyl or C₁₋₄ alkoxy.

2. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 1 wherein:

(A) R^3 is C_{1-8} alkyl, halo(C_{1-8}) alkyl, hydroxy(C_{1-8})alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy(C_{1-8})alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxyhalo(C_{1-8})alkyl, tri(C_{1-4})alkylsilyl(C_{1-6})alkyl, C_{1-4} alkylcarbonyl(C_{1-8})alkyl, C_{1-4} alkylcarbonylhalo(C_{1-8})alkyl, phenyl($_{1-4}$) alkyl, C_{2-8} alkenyl, halo(C_{2-8})alkenyl, C_{2-8} alkynyl; and R^4 is H, C_{1-4} alkyl, halo(C_{1-4})alkyl or amino; or

(B) R^3 and R^4 together form a C_{3-7} alkylene or C_{3-7} alkenylene chain optionally substituted with methyl; or

(C) R^3 and R^4 , together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached, form a morpholine, thiomorpholine, piperazine or piperazine N -(C_{1-4})alkyl (~~especially N -methyl~~) ring, in which the morpholine or piperazine rings are optionally substituted with methyl.

3. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R^1 is phenyl optionally substituted with from one to five halogen atoms or with from one to three substituents selected from halo, C_{1-4} alkyl, halo(C_{1-4})alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy or halo(C_{1-4})alkoxy.

4. (Original) A compound according to claim 3 wherein R^1 is 2,6-difluorophenyl, 2-fluoro-6-chlorophenyl, 2,5,6-trifluorophenyl, 2,4,6-trifluorophenyl, 2,6-difluoro-4-methoxyphenyl or pentafluorophenyl.

5. Cancelled.

6. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 1 wherein:

(A) R^3 is C_{1-8} alkyl, halo(C_{1-4})alkyl, C_{2-4} alkenyl; and R^4 is H, or C_{1-4} alkyl;

(B) or wherein R^3 and R^4 together form a C_{3-7} alkylene chain optionally substituted with C_{1-4} alkyl;

(C) or wherein R^3 and R^4 , together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached, form a morpholine, piperazine or piperazine N -(C_{1-4})alkyl (~~especially N -methyl~~) ring; and wherein said alkyl or alkenyl groups or moieties are optionally substituted with halogen, cyano, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} alkylcarbonyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy carbonyl, C_{1-6} haloalkoxy, C_{1-6} alkylthio, tri(C_{1-4})alkylsilyl, C_{1-6} alkylamino or C_{1-6} dialkylamino;

and wherein said morpholine and piperazine rings are optionally substituted with C_{1-4} alkyl;

and wherein said aryl groups or moieties are optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of halo, hydroxy, mercapto, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, C_{2-6} alkynyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{2-6} alkenyloxy, C_{2-6} alkynyloxy, halo(C_{1-6})alkyl, halo(C_{1-6})alkoxy, C_{1-6}

alkylthio, halo(C₁₋₆)alkylthio, hydroxy(C₁₋₆)alkyl, C₁₋₄ alkoxy(C₁₋₆)alkyl, C₃₋₆ cycloalkyl, C₃₋₆ cycloalkyl(C₁₋₄)alkyl, phenoxy, benzyloxy, benzoyloxy, cyano, isocyano, thiocyanato, isothiocyanato, nitro, -NR^{'''}R^{'''}, -NHCOR^{'''}, -NHCONR^{'''}R^{'''}, -CONR^{'''}R^{'''}, -SO₂R^{'''}, -OSO₂R^{'''}, -COR^{'''}, -CR^{'''}=NR^{'''} and -N=CR^{'''}R^{'''}, in which R^{'''} and R^{'''} are independently hydrogen, C₁₋₄alkyl, halo(C₁₋₄)alkyl, C₁₋₄ alkoxy, halo(C₁₋₄)alkoxy, C₁₋₄ alkylthio, C₃₋₆ cycloalkyl, C₃₋₆ cycloalkyl(C₁₋₄)alkyl, phenyl or benzyl, the phenyl and benzyl groups being optionally substituted with halogen, C₁₋₄ alkyl or C₁₋₄ alkoxy.

7. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R¹ is optionally substituted phenyl.

8. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 1 wherein:

R¹ is phenyl optionally substituted with from one to five halogen atoms or with from one to three substituents selected from the group consisting of halo, C₁₋₄ alkyl, halo(C₁₋₄)alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy and halo(C₁₋₄)alkoxy; and

wherein R³ is C₁₋₄ alkyl or halo(C₁₋₄) alkyl; and R⁴ is H;

or wherein R³ and R⁴ together form a C₄₋₆ alkylene chain optionally substituted with methyl;

or wherein R³ and R⁴ together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached, form a morpholine or piperazine N-(C₁₋₄)alkyl (~~especially N-methyl~~) ring, in which the morpholine or piperazine rings are optionally substituted with methyl.

9. (Previously presented) A compound according to claim 1 wherein:

R¹ is phenyl optionally substituted with from one to five halogen atoms; and

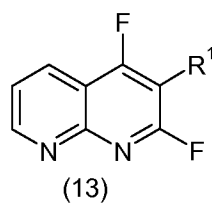
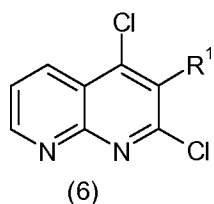
wherein R³ is C₁₋₄ alkyl; and R⁴ is H;

or wherein R³ and R⁴ together form a C₄₋₆ alkylene chain optionally substituted with methyl;

or wherein R³ and R⁴, together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached, form a morpholine ring.

10. (Previously presented) A process for preparing a compound of the general formula (1) according to claim 1 wherein R is chloro or fluoro, comprising:

(A) reacting an amine of the general formula NR³R⁴ with a compound of the general formula (6) or (13):



wherein R¹, R³ and R⁴ are as defined in claim 1.

11. (Original): A plant fungicidal composition comprising a fungicidally effective amount of a compound as defined in claim 1 and a suitable carrier or diluent therefor.

12. (Currently amended) A method of combating or controlling phytopathogenic fungi which comprises applying to a plant, to a seed of a plant, to the locus of the plant or seed or to soil, ~~or to any other plant growth medium;~~ a fungicidally effective amount of a compound according to claim 1.